

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-103-88

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

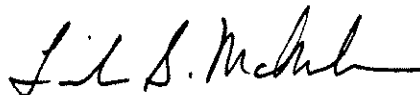
SUBJECT: AFDC AND FOOD STAMP COUNTY PAYMENT ERROR RATES: OCTOBER
1987 THROUGH MARCH 1988

This letter provides County payment error rates in the AFDC and Food Stamp programs for the period October 1987 through March 1988. Publishing County payment error rates is a part of a State corrective action plan which is intended to raise awareness among Counties about the importance of their error reduction efforts. In order to highlight their excellent performance, Counties achieving the lowest error rates are listed first.

It is commendable that over two-thirds of all Quality Control (QC) Counties have error rates at or below the Federal performance standard of 3.0 percent in the AFDC program. However, in the Food Stamp program, over two-thirds of Counties reporting results from the first County performed Food Stamp QC period show error rates over the Federal performance standard of 5.0 percent. As this new Food Stamp QC system begins to provide Counties with more reliable information about where error trends exist, appropriate corrective action may be taken. Therefore, I anticipate an improvement in the Food Stamp program in the future.

My staff is available to assist you in identifying problems and developing corrective actions. I urge you to use this resource, as well as to look to each other for ideas and encouragement. I hope that the Counties achieving low error rates will be willing to share their corrective actions through forums such as the Statewide Corrective Action Conference and the Corrective Action Clearinghouse. Welfare administration is truly a partnership endeavor and we must work together to achieve our error reduction goals.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact your Corrective Action Bureau Consultant at (916) 445-4458.



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Director

Attachment

cc: CWDA



AFDC Payment Error Rates*
October 1987 - March 1988

<u>County</u>	<u>Error</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Kern		0.2
San Bernardino		0.6
Yuba		0.6
Butte		0.8
Orange		1.0
Santa Cruz		1.1
Shasta		1.2
Sacramento		1.3
San Mateo		1.3
Yolo		1.4
San Joaquin		1.5
Kings		1.6
Mendocino		1.6
Riverside		1.6
Sutter		1.8
Humboldt		1.9
Placer		1.9
Santa Barbara		1.9
Santa Clara		2.1
Stanislaus		2.1
Solano		2.3
Madera		2.4
Imperial		2.7
San Francisco		2.7
Alameda		2.8
Tulare		3.0
Ventura		3.3
San Diego		3.4
Monterey		3.5
Sonoma		3.6
Merced		4.1
San Luis Obispo		4.4
Contra Costa		4.5
El Dorado		5.1
Fresno		5.3
Los Angeles		5.4

Food Stamp Payment Error Rates*
October 1987 - March 1988

<u>County</u>	<u>Error</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Placer		1.4
Sacramento		1.8
Sutter		2.4
Santa Cruz		2.5
Contra Costa		2.6
Kern		2.8
Riverside		3.5
Stanislaus		3.7
Shasta		3.8
Santa Clara		4.7
San Joaquin		4.8
Kings		5.1
Sonoma		5.1
Orange		5.2
San Francisco		5.6
San Mateo		5.7
Madera		5.8
Yuba		5.9
Santa Barbara		6.0
Alameda		6.4
Solano		7.5
Los Angeles		7.6
Monterey		7.6
Butte		8.2
Fresno		8.3
Merced		8.5
Humboldt		8.7
San Diego		8.7
San Bernardino		8.8
Tulare		9.6
Ventura		9.8
El Dorado		9.9
Mendocino		10.2
Imperial		13.4
San Luis Obispo		15.0

*All error rates, except Los Angeles, are original County findings from the State required sample of cases. The Los Angeles County error rate is from the Federal sample.